## RATION FOR ORIGINAL U.S. PATENT APPLICATION

Attorney's Docket No. PLUSP036

As a below-handel aventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe that I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled: ACTIVE METAL/AQUEOUS ELECTROCHEMICAL CELLS AND SYSTEMS, the specification of which, (check one) 1. is attached hereto. 2. was filed on February 3, 2004 U.S. Application No. \_\_\_\_ 10/772,157 and was amended on \_ 3. M was filed on International PCT Application Serial No. and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_ I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above. I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the patentability of this application in accordance with Title 37, CFR §1.56. Prior Foreign Application(s) I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States code, § 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed: Priority Benefits Claimed? \_\_ Yes \_\_ No (Appl. No.) (Country) (Date Filed- Day/Month/Year) Yes No (Appl. No.) (Country) (Date Filed- Day/Month/Year) Provisional Application(s) I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. §119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below: 60/418,899 October 15, 2002 (Application No.) (Filing Date) 60/511,710 October 14, 2003 (Application No.) (Filing Date) 60/518.948 November 10, 2003 (Application No.) (Filing Date) 60/527,098 December 3, 2003 (Application No.) (Filing Date) 60/536,688 January 14, 2004 (Application No.) (Filing Date) 60/526,662 December 2, 2003 (Application No.) (Filing Date)

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60/536,689	January 14, 2004
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## Prior U.S. Application(s)

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United Sates Code, § 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this applications is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56 which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

10/731,771December 5, 2003<br/>(Application No.)Pending<br/>(Status - patented, pending, abandoned)10/686,189October 14, 2003<br/>(Application No.)Pending<br/>(Status - patented, pending, abandoned)

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Visco et al.

Application No.: 10/772,157

Filed: February 3, 2004

Title: ACTIVE METAL/AQUEOUS

**ELECTROCHEMICAL CELLS AND SYSTEMS** 



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Examiner: Not yet assigned

Group: Not yet assigned

## POWER OF ATTORNEY BY ASSIGNEE, 37 CFR §3.73 STATEMENT, AND EXCLUSION OF INVENTOR UNDER 37 CFR §3.71

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**PolyPlus Battery Company** is the assignee of the above-referenced patent application by virtue of an assignment document. The assignment document is/was recorded:

	at Reel, Frame(s)
	on
X	submitted concurrently herewith

The assignee represents, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §3.73(b), that the undersigned is a representative authorized and empowered to sign on behalf of the assignee.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§1.36 and 3.71, the assignee hereby revokes all powers of attorney previously given and hereby appoints the law firm of Beyer Weaver & Thomas, LLP and all practitioners who are associated with the **Customer Number 022434** as principal attorneys to prosecute this application and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

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Further, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §3.71, the assignee hereby states that prosecution of the above-referenced patent application is to be conducted to the exclusion of the inventor(s).

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